

Abstract

The present invention provides a tube partitioning method that can
5 manufacture an airtight tube with a reduced number of processes and thus
a reduced manufacturing cost, and a gas generator using the same tube.

The tube partitioning method of the invention has the first and second
processes of partitioning or closing a hollow portion of a tube 1 made of
metal at a predetermined location using a partitioning plate 2, and the gas
10 generator 50 using the same tube 1. In the first process, the partitioning
plate 2 is inserted in the tube 1, with its surfaces 2b, 2c oriented
substantially vertically with respect to a longitudinal direction of the tube 1.
In the second process, the partitioning plate 2 is disposed at a
predetermined location in the tube 1 and the tube 1 is crimped from its
15 peripheral face at locations adjacent to the predetermined location where
the partitioning plate 2 is disposed, whereby the partitioning plate 2 is
bitten 0.1mm or more into a wall of the tube from a peripheral edge face
thereof to bring the tube 1 and the partitioning plate 2 into contact with
each other.